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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (amended) A pharmaceutical composition containing,  
as active ingredient, at least one NO synthase inhibitory substance  
and at least one metabolic antioxidant substance possessing at  
least two thiol groups and which intervene(s) in the redox status  
of thiol groups, and optionally a pharmaceutically acceptable